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1. WE GAVE DAVIGNON THE DRAFT TEXT OF THE LONG-TERM

COOPERATION PROGRAM AND BOSWORTH'S NOTE.

2. DAVIGNON SAID THAT HE PLANNED TO PUT HIS THOUGHTS IN WRITING THIS WEEKEND AND GAVE US A SHORT NOTE ON MONDAY FOR TRANSMITTAL TO WASHINGTON. HOWEVER, HE GAVE US THE GIST OF WHAT HE WOULD WRITE.

3. DAVIGNON THOUGHT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON THE LEVEL OF THE MINIMUM SAFEGUARD PRICE. HE SAW NO INSURMOUNTABLE PROBLEM. BUT HE DID WARN THAT AGREEMENT PROBABLY COULD NOT BE REACHED ON PREPOSITIONING. HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE UNREALISTIC TO ATTEMPT AT THIS STAGE TO REQUIRE MEMBERS TO HAVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY TO MAINTAIN THE MSA IF ACTIVATED.

4. DAVIGNON SAID THAT THE DEBATE IN THE RECENT EC COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS RELATING TO THE MSP IN NO WAY INDICATED THAT THERE WAS SLIPPAGE IN THE EC EIGHT'S AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE ON THE MSP. THE DISCUSSION IN THE COUNCIL WAS ADDRESSED TO A NARROWER PROBLEM - WHETHER IN AN EC DOCUMENT ON THE EC POSITION FOR THE PRODUCER - CONSUMER CONFERENCE THERE SHOULD BE REFERENCE TO THE MSP AS SUCH. HE WAS INCLINED TO THINK THAT THE BRITISH WERE BEING ADAMANT FOR TACTICAL REASONS; IF NO AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED ON A COMMON EC POSITION FOR THE PRODUCER - CONSUMER CONFERENCE, THE BRITISH CLAIM FOR A SEPARATE SEAT WOULD BE STRENGTHENED.

5. ON THE UPCOMING MEETING ON RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, DAVIGNON THOUGHT THAT THERE WOULD BE A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME ONLY IF THE U.S. TOOK THE LEADERSHIP, DESCRIBED ACTUAL PROJECTS IT WOULD INITIATE, AND INVITED OTHERS TO PARTICIPATE. WITHOUT SUCH CONCRETE AMERICAN LEADERSHIP, NOT MUCH OF VALUE WOULD COME OUT OF THE MEETING. FIRESTONE

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